

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

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BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

The present invention will now be described in detail by describing illustrative, non-limiting embodiments thereof with reference to the accompanying drawings.

Figure 1 is a block diagram illustrating a multiple access system according to an illustrative, non-limiting embodiment of the present invention.

Figure 2 is a flow chart illustrating a method of transmitting data packets from the terminal to the control center according to an illustrative, non-limiting embodiment of the present invention.

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FIG. 1 illustrates an exemplary multiple access system. As depicted in FIG. 1, the system has a number of terminals 1 to N and a control center 2.

FIG. 2 illustrates an exemplary method of transmitting the data packets from a terminal to the control center. In particular, at operation 20, the control center transmits authorizations to a terminal. The authorizations are transmitted when data packets are expected from the terminal. Also, the authorizations are transmitted at a high rate to meet the delay jitter requirements. Next, in operation 21, a data packet is received in the control center. Accordingly, in operation 22, the control center interrupts the transmission of authorizations. That is, in response to the receipt of the data packet from the terminal, the control center interrupts the transmission of authorizations to this data terminal.